## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 721 By West

A RESOLUTION to honor Mr. Robert (Bobby) Jackson Joslin, Jr. of Nashville.

WHEREAS, it is important that the members of this legislative body should recognize those persons who through their professional endeavors have enhanced the lives of countless others in their community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Robert (Bobby) Jackson Joslin, Jr., the President and Owner of Joslin & Son Sign Company, is one such esteemed gentleman, who for his involvement in providing signage for many businesses in Nashville, including the home of the Tennessee Titans, the Adelphia Coliseum, is being honored by the Star-Spangled Salute on March 7<sup>th</sup> at the Opryland Hotel; and

WHEREAS, this 12<sup>th</sup> annual event benefits Donelson Station Senior Center, with Summit Medical Center as the Presenting Sponsor. A reception, silent auction, and dinner will be held, with Tennessee Titans Executive Vice President Don MacLachlan serving as the Master of Ceremonies for the event; and

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WHEREAS, a native of Nashville, Mr. Joslin is a 1970 graduate of Cohn High School.

Prior to earning his post-secondary education at Middle Tennessee State University and George Peabody College, Bobby Joslin served in the U.S. Army where, among his many patriotic duties, he assembled nuclear warheads; and

WHEREAS, in 1977, he started the Joslin Maintenance Company, which incorporated in 1982 as the Joslin Sign and Maintenance Company; it is now known as the Joslin & Son Sign Company, a change made in memory of his son, "Little Bobby," who passed from this earth in 1993 after a bout with encephalitis at a young age; and

WHEREAS, the Joslin & Son Sign Company has provided more than just signage for Adelphia Coliseum, as many businesses have enjoyed the benefits of having a Joslin & Son sign, but Mr. Joslin's generosity has also provided signage for the American Heart Association, the Boy Scouts of America, the Children's Miracle Network, Family and Children's Services, Friends of Hurting Children, Lilly's Garden, the Martha O. Bryan Center, the Multiple Sclerosis Society, the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the Tennessee Head Injury Association, and the Tennessee Special Olympics; and

WHEREAS, a humanitarian of immense proportions, Mr. Joslin has also provided signs for Metro's Harris Hillman Special Education School and recently donated the Al Menah Shriner's sign in appreciation of the group's support to Vanderbilt Children's Hospital and Burn Center; and

WHEREAS, in the Donelson-Hermitage community, he has furnished assistance to the Donelson Christmas Parade, the Donelson Christian Academy and its baseball team, the Dupont Elementary School, McGavock High School, Tulip Grove Elementary School, and many other organizations; and

WHEREAS, Bobby Joslin is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his devoted wife, Vicki; they are the proud parents of three beautiful children and are devout members of the United Methodist Church; and

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WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to honor and commend Mr. Bobby Joslin for his many accomplishments and his dedicated service to the citizens of this state; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor Mr. Robert (Bobby) Jackson Joslin, Jr. for his exemplary service to this State and congratulate him on this most recent commendation of being featured by the Star-Spangled Salute.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we wish Mr. Joslin much success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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